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SUBJECT: EXCEPTIONS REQUEST FOR TOLL ENRICHMENT -
AE 1

1) USDEL SHOULD SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS REQUEST
PURSUANT TO AE 1 UNDER THE URGENCY PROCEDURE.

2) THE US AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN ASKED TO AUTHORIZE
THE EXPORT TO THE USSR OF 1,160,000 POUNDS OF URANIUM
CONTAINED IN 1,368,000 POUNDS OF U SUB 3 O SUB 8 FOR TOLL
ENRICHMENT IN THE USSR AND RETURN TO THE FRG FOR
FABRICATION INTO FUEL ELEMENTS AND USE IN AS YET
UNDESIGNATED NUCLEAR REACTORS. THE MATERIAL IS OF US
ORIGIN AND IS VALUED AT APPROXIMATELY 20 MILLION DOLLARS.
THE MATERIAL WILL BE SHIPPED INITIALLY TO THE UK FOR
CONVERSION INTO UF SUB 6. FROM THERE IT WILL BE EXPORTED
TO THE USSR FOR TOLL ENRICHMENT, AND THEN RETURNED TO THE
FRG FOR FABRICATION INTO FUEL ELEMENTS. US AGREEMENT TO
THIS TRANSACTION WILL BE SUBJECT, AMONG OTHER THINGS, TO
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THE CONDITION THAT ALL URANIUM TAILS RESULTING FROM THIS

ENRICHMENT TRANSACTION IN THE USSR ARE REMOVED FROM THE USSR AND THE BLOC AT THE ACTUAL TRANSACTION TAILS ASSAY OF THE TOLL ENRICHMENT OPERATION.

3) THE USDEL SUBMITS THIS REQUEST AS AN AD HOC EXCEPTION UNDER THE COCOM URGENCY PROCEDURES AND WOULD APPRECIATE THE EARLY VIEWS OF THE OTHER DELEGATIONS.

4) BEFORE SUBMITTING THE ABOVE EXCEPTIONS REQUEST, USDEL SHOULD BILATERAL WITH THE GERMAN DEL AND EXPLAIN THAT US IS TAKING INITIATIVE TO GET COMMITTEE APPROVAL ON THIS TRANSACTION NOT WITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT THE TRANSACTION WAS INITIATED BY AN FRG FIRM. OUR REASONS FOR DOING THIS IS BECAUSE OF US POLICIES GOVERNING THE EXPORT OF US-ORIGIN URANIUM TO BLOC DESTINATIONS. TAKING SUCH ACTION NOW WILL ELIMINATE FUTURE QUESTIONS REGARDING ORIGIN OF MATERIAL AS PRESENTLY CONFRONTED IN GERMAN TOLL ENRICHMENT CASE, (DOC (75)640). KISSINGER

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